

Circular.

St James's. 20<sup>th</sup> March 1778.

Sir,

I send to you herewith Copy of a  
Paper which the French Ambassador  
presented to me on the 13<sup>th</sup> Inst<sup>th</sup>, by Order of  
his Court. I likewise transmit to you  
printed Copies of His Majesty's Message,  
communicating the abovementioned Paper  
to the two Houses of Parliament, and of the  
very affectionate & spirited Addresses to  
His Majesty in consequence thereof.

His Majesty's Sentiments, and those of His  
People at large on this unjust & unprovoked  
Proceeding of the Court of France appear so  
fully in these Inclosures, that I think  
it superfluous to make any Remarks  
upon them; and have only to desire that  
you will take the earliest opportunity of  
communicating the whole to the Ministers

Sir William Hamilton. K. B.

of



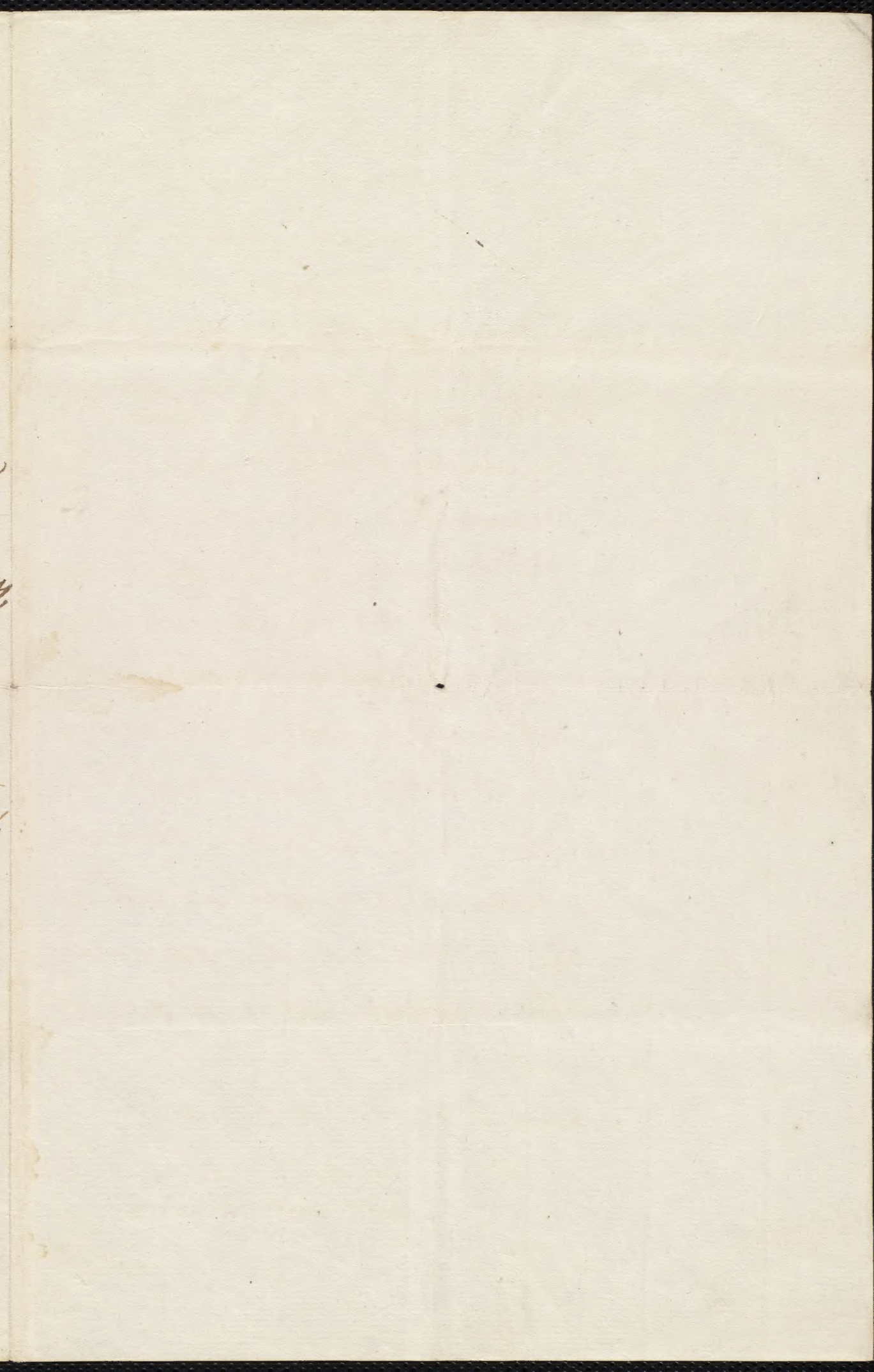
of the Court where you reside: And I add, for  
your Information, That as soon as the said  
Paper was delivered to me, Orders were sent to  
The King's Ambassador at Paris to quit  
that Court without taking Leave, and to  
return immediately to England.

It is His Majesty's Wish the Conduct of  
which he complains may be seen in its true  
Light throughout Europe, and may be  
understood to be as it really is, equally insidious  
undignified & dangerous; for it must not  
pass unobserved That the French Ministers  
have continually & uniformly professed the  
most perfect Friendship & most pacific  
Dispositions on the Part of their Sovereign to  
the very Moment of signing a Treaty with His  
Majesty's rebellious Subjects, and of making  
themselves the first Disturbers of the general  
Tranquillity.

I am with great Duty & Respect,  
Sir, Your most Obedient  
humble servant

Weymouth







Lord Weymouth  
Circular 20<sup>th</sup> of  
March 1798  
French Treaty  
with the American  
Rebels. notified  
by Francis de  
Baobis Japen  
in London